



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

**MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
NUISANCE ABATEMENT BOARD MINUTES  
CITY HALL, CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE  
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021, 7:00 P.M.**

**Cumulative Attendance  
3/2021 through 2/2022**

<b><u>Members</u></b>	<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>
John Forman, Chair	P	1	0
Howard Elfman, Vice Chair	P	1	0
Glen Lindsay	P	1	0
Robert Phaneuf	P	1	0
Joel Slotnick	P	1	0

**Staff Present**

Detective Paul Maniates, Liaison  
Bruce Jolly, Board Attorney  
Brigitte Chiappetta, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

**Communication to the City Commission**

None.

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<b><u>Item No.</u></b>	<b><u>Case Number</u></b>	<b><u>Respondent</u></b>	<b><u>Page</u></b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>20-09-02</b>	<b>3031 West Commercial Boulevard, Hometown Studio Hotel – Status Hearing</b>	<b>2</b>

**Purpose:** Promote, protect, and improve the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens by imposing administrative fines and other non-criminal penalties in order to provide an equitable, expeditious, effective, and inexpensive method of enforcing ordinances under circumstances when a pending, or repeated violation continues to exist.

**1. Call meeting to order; Pledge of Allegiance**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**2. Roll call; witnesses sign log; swearing in**

There were no witnesses to be sworn in at this time.

### **3. Approval of minutes for February 11, 2021**

**Motion** made by Mr. Elfman, seconded by Mr. Lindsay, to approve last meeting's minutes. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

### **Cases**

- 4. Case Number 20-09-02**
  - 3031 West Commercial Boulevard**
  - Hometown Studio Hotel**
  - **Status Hearing**

Detective Maniates reported that the property owner was mailed legal notice of tonight's meeting on March 13, 2021. There have been 70 Police-related incidents over the last two months, none of which were nuisance-related. Of these 70 calls, 35 did not require a report. Nine of these were trespass calls, eight of which were called in by the hotel.

Det. Maniates advised that he continues to monitor the property and remains in contact with the hotel's general manager, who updates him on any issues at the property. He remains in contact with the hotel's district manager on a weekly basis. There are still some concerns with regard to the stairwell doors' failure to lock, which allows individuals who are not staying on the property to gain entry to any floor. This concern has been passed on to the general manager.

Det. Maniates has also spoken with the hotel's attorney, who has advised that the hotel received a permit from the City two weeks ago to begin a fence project. This project is expected to begin later this week. The property is currently in compliance. He recommended a status hearing in May 2021.

Det. Maniates concluded that one of the 70 calls over the past two months was a narcotics-related call in which an individual stated that they smelled drugs. No report was filed. This was not considered a nuisance call.

### **5. Board Discussion**

The next Board meeting will be May 13, 2021.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

[Minutes prepared by K. McGuire, Prototype, Inc.]